whereas, The President's Commission on Mental Health has amounced that the magnitude of mental illness as the major health problem of the United States is greater than previously thought—one out of every six or seven Americans is suffering from some form of mental illness or emotional disturbance, and perhaps as many as half of all those who need help remain "unserved, underserved, or inappropriately served"; and,

WHEREAS, There is today a vastly greater chance for the mentally ill to recover through enlightened community mental health services than in years gone by, and the South Dakots Mental Health Association is working for just such services in our State; and,

WHEREAS, May has been known as Mental Health Month throughout the United States for the past twenty-eight years:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the month of May, 1978, as

MENTAL HEALTH MONTH

in South Dakots, and I sincerely urge all of our citizens to support the South Dakots Mental Health Association in its public information and educational programs, its efforts to promote good mental health, and its annual "Beil Ringer" fund drive campaign.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hareunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakots, in Pletre, the Capital City, this Twenty-Third Day of May, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Pight,

RICHARD F. KNBIP, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

LORNA B. HERSETH, SECRETARY OF STATE

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